

April 4, 2008

Re: FCC MB Docket No. 04-233

To Whom It May Concern:

Established in 1945, the Los Angeles Music and Art School, is a non-profit organization serving East Los Angeles and the surrounding communities. During its 62 years of service, LAMAS has trained and nurtured the creative talents of over 65,000 children and youths. LAMAS serves over 1,400 students annually and offers unique enrichment opportunities to youth that foster artistic expression, discipline, teamwork, self-worth and life-long learning. LAMAS believes that the arts are an essential component of education, and all children, not only those with specific artistic talent, benefit from an education in the arts including opportunities to create, perform, and communicate through various artistic media.

During the past three years, KVEA-52 has been an exemplary and generous community partner to LAMAS in the following ways.

2005: KVEA-52, Vice President of Community Affairs, Victor Franco chairs our annual Stars for the Arts Benefit Concert held at the Japan America Theatre in Los Angeles to help raise scholarship funds for low-income students attending LAMAS.

2006: LAMAS student, Allison Iraheta, competes and wins first place in KVEA's talent competition Quinceañera. KVEA-52 hosts a reception at our school to congratulate Allison's triumph in the company of family, friends, and LAMAS students and staff.

2007: KVEA-52 and Verizon feature the school's Executive Director, Isela Sotelo in a PSA celebrating Latino Heritage Month.

In addition to providing exposure and support, KVEA-52 provides information about opportunities to participate in community/civic events and partner with other organizations.